

SAME-DAY CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE RELATING TO EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS CONFERENCE REPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 9 to 3, a resolution waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The resolution applies the waiver to any special rule reported on the legislative day of October 30, 2003, providing for consideration or disposition of a conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 3289) making emergency supplemental appropriations for defense and for the reconstruction of Iraq and Afghanistan for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes.

NASA'S ORGANIZATIONAL AND MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES

Committee on Science: Held a hearing on NASA's Organizational and Management Challenges in the Wake of the Columbia Disaster. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: Adm. Frank L. Bowman, USN, Director, Naval Nuclear Propulsion (Naval Reactors); Rear Adm. Paul Sullivan, USN, Deputy Commander, Ship Design Integration and Engineering, Naval Sea Systems Command; Adm. Harold Gehman, USN, (Ret), Chairman, Columbia Accident Investigation Board; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine Palestinian education, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the Treasury Department's report to Congress on international economic and exchange rate policy, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the universal service, 10 a.m., SD-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 1241, to establish the Kate Mullany National Historic Site in the State of New York, S. 1364, to amend the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act to authorize the payment of expenses after the death of certain Federal employees in the State of Alaska, S. 1433, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in im-

plementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont, and S. 1462, to adjust the boundary of the Cumberland Island Wilderness, to authorize tours of the Cumberland Island National Seashore, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 1097, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to implement the CalFed Bay-Delta Program, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold a closed briefing to examine U.S. policy directions relating to Syria, 9 a.m., SH-219.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine U.S. policy directions relating to Syria, 10:15 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine combating transnational crime and corruption in Europe, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on African Affairs, with the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold joint hearings to examine a report relative to HIV/AIDS Codel to Africa, 3 p.m., S-211, Capitol.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Aging, to hold hearings to examine financial abuse and exploitation of the elderly, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Subcommittee on Children and Families, with the Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold joint hearings to examine a report relative to HIV/AIDS Codel to Africa, 3 p.m., S-211, Capitol.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 1720, to provide for Federal court proceedings in Plano, Texas, S. 710, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that aliens who commit acts of torture, extrajudicial killings, or other specified atrocities abroad are inadmissible and removable and to establish within the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice an Office of Special Investigations having responsibilities under that Act with respect to all alien participants in war crimes, genocide, and the commission of acts of torture and extrajudicial killings abroad, S. Con. Res. 58, expressing the sense of Congress with respect to raising awareness and encouraging prevention of stalking in the United States and supporting the goals and ideals of National Stalking Awareness Month, a proposed resolution recognizing that November 2, 2003, shall be dedicated to "A tribute to Survivors" at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, and the nominations of Henry W. Saad, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Dora L. Irizarry, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, William K. Sessions III, of Vermont, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission, D. Michael Fisher, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, Janice R. Brown, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, and David L. Huber, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine monopoly issues in agriculture, focusing on the buying power of processors in the nation's agricultural markets, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Cynthia R. Church, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Public and Intergovernmental Affairs), and Robert N. McFarland, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Information and Technology), 2 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on Destruction of the U.S. Chemical Weapons Stockpile—Program Status and Issues, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on "Energy Employees Workers' Compensation: Examining the Department of Labor's Role in Helping Workers with Energy-Related Occupational Illnesses and Diseases," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "E-Commerce: The Case of Online Wine Sales and Direct Shipment," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Reviewing U.S. Capital Market Structure: Promoting Competition in a Changing Trading Environment," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing entitled "Serving the Underserved in the 21st Century: The Need for a Stronger, More Responsive Public Health Service Commissioned Corps," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, to consider private relief bills; followed by an oversight hearing on "The Prospects for American Workers: Immigration's Impact," 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on the GAO report entitled "Opportunities to Improve the Management and Oversight of Oil and Gas Activities on Federal Lands," 9:30 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on the upcoming 18th Regular Meeting of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing and markup of the following bills: H.R. 142, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facili-

ties Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Inland Empire regional water recycling project, to authorize the Secretary to carry out a program to assist agencies in projects to construct regional brine lines in California, and to authorize the Secretary to participate in the Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstration and reclamation project; H.R. 1156, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to increase the ceiling on the Federal share of the costs of phase I of the Orange County, California, Regional Water Reclamation Project; H.R. 2960, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Brownsville Public Utility Board water recycling and desalinization project; and H.R. 2991, Inland Empire Regional Water Recycling Initiative; the Provo River Project Transfer Act; the Riverside-Corona Feeder; and to hold a hearing on the following: H.R. 3334, Riverside-Corona Feeder Authorization Act; the Provo River Project Transfer Act; and S. 212, High Plains Aquifer Hydrogeologic Characterization, Mapping, Modeling and Monitoring Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards, hearing on "What is Space Weather and Who Should Forecast It?" 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Research, hearing on Implementation of the Math Science Partnership Program: Views from the Field, 12 p.m., 2325 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight, hearing on the impact of unsolicited commercial e-mail (spam) on small businesses, 10:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, oversight hearing on The Status of the Federal Aviation Administration's Air Traffic Control Modernization Programs, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, hearing on United States-China Economic Relations and China's Role in the Global Economy, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, hearing entitled "Securing Freedom and the Nation: Collecting Intelligence Under the Law, Constitutional and Public Policy Consideration," 8:30 a.m., 1302 Longworth.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, to mark up H.R. 2886, Department of Homeland Security Financial Accountability Act, 1 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science, and Research and Development, hearing entitled "Strength Through Knowledge: Homeland Security Science and Technology; Setting and Steering a Strong Course," 3 p.m., 210 Cannon.